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REF: A. MANILA 6832, B. STATE 122883, C. STATE 123484,

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FOR SULLIVAN FROM ACTING SECRETARY

1. I WANT TO ASSURE YOU THAT WE ARE GIVING URGENT CONSIDERATION TO THE ECONOMIC NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE PHILIPPINES. YOUR MESSAGE APPEARS TO HAVE CROSSED REF B, WHICH CONFIRMED PLANS FOR ARRIVAL OF ALDRICH AND DELEGATION IN MANILA JUNE 20 AND INDICATED TREATY DRAFT BEING SENT SEPTEL (REF C). AGREEMENT HAS BEEN REACHED IN EXECUTIVE BRANCH ON TREATY AND TRADE AGREEMENT, AND ON LISTS OF TRADE ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION. CONGRESSIONAL CONSULTATIONS (REF D) ARE UNDER WAY AND INITIAL CONTACTS HAVE ELICITED NO OBJECTIONS ALTHOUGH SEVERAL KEY BASES REMAIN TO BE TOUCHED. WE

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HOPE TO BE IN POSITION SHORTLY (PERHAPS FRIDAY) TO AUTHORIZE

TABLING OF DRAFT, AND WILL ADVISE BY IMMEDIATE CABLE WHEN
LIGHT IS GREEN.

2. CONCERNING MILITARY BASE RIGHTS NEGOTIATIONS WE HAD NOT
ASSUMED THAT THE FORM OF FINAL PRODUCT OF OUR NEGOTIATIONS
WHETHER TREATY OR EXECUTIVE AGREEMENT WAS ANY BAR TO
NEGOTIATION ON ARTICLES ALREADY SENT EMBASSY. THIS QUESTION
OF FORMAT IS ONE WE ARE PRESENTLY STUDYING IN REGARD TO THE
ESTABLISHMENT OF OUR FACILITIES ON DIEGO GARGIA AND IN
CONJUNCTION WITH THE QUESTION OF WORLDWIDE BASES NEGOTIATIONS. WE WILL LET YOU KNOW OUR DECISION AS SOON AS
IT IS AVAILABLE.

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